II. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In response to the above-referenced Office Action, please amend the application in the specification as follows (support for the following specification amendments is found in the application specification on page 4 lines 15-19, FIG 1c as originally filed and Claims 1, 11 & 14 as originally filed):

For the paragraph beginning on page 5 Lines 19 and ending on Page 6 line 3, please substitute the following paragraph:

A decorative lighting system 10, in accordance with the present invention and as shown generally in FIGS 1a-4b, havehas a back cover 42 that is slideable along the back 14b of the housing 14. However, it must be kept in mind that other means of affixing the back cover 42 to the housing 14 may be employed, such as but not limited to snap on fitting, screw mounting etc). Though not equivalent, one of ordinary skill in the art would be able to adapt these means to the decorative lighting system 10 provided in this application. Referring specifically to FIG. 1c, the decorative lighting system 10 is shown with a power source compartment 48 and a power source (indicated by the universal +/- symbols). Furthermore, it is indicated therein that the power source is coupled within the housing 14 and operatively coupled with the light emitting elements 12 via wiring 46. As shown in FIG 4a, when the back cover 42 is removed, the wiring 46 and light emitting element sockets 22 are exposed for diagnostic and repair purposes. FIG 4b shows larger light emitting elements 12. The lighting system 10 can be configured such that either the front surface 14a the back surface 14b or anywhere there between can be coupled with a hook 44.